

ARIZONA STATE FORESTRY DIVISION

Wednesday, July 16, 2008

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Southwest Geographic Area is now at **Preparedness Level 2**

Important Notice:

Due to the onset of our seasonal monsoon, higher humidity levels and decreasing fire activity within the State of Arizona, our daily reporting will be suspended as of <u>Friday</u>, <u>July 18</u>, <u>2008</u>. Please note that this Agency will continue providing fire information as needed thereafter.

FIRES ON STATE AND PRIVATE LANDS

Fire Name	Size	Comments
BRONCO	0.1	This small roadside fire was located along Highway 93, just south of Wikieup. BLM responded on behalf of the State with no problems reported.

INCIDENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY ON STATE AND PRIVATE LANDS

	Yesterday	Year to Date	This Date Last Year	10 yr Average This Date
Incidents	1	213	240	~
Acres	0.1	7,904.9	4,685.6	~

TOTAL STATE FORESTRY RESOURCES ASSIGNED TO INCIDENTS YESTERDAY

AIRCRAFT	EQUIPMENT	OVERHEAD				
1	54	274				
CREWS						
NORTHERN AZ	SOUTHERN AZ	CENTRAL AZ				
State Forestry Crews: Winslow (#1) – Available	State Forestry Crews: Douglas – Available	State Forestry Crews: Adobe Camp Crew – Available				
Winslow (#1) – Available Winslow (#2) – Available	Fort Grant – Available	Florence – Available				
Winslow Apache (#3) – Available Winslow Apache (#4) – Available	Echo – Committed Catalina – Committed	Globe – Available Lewis – Available				
willslow Apache (#4) – Available	Catalina – Committed	Perryville – Available Yuma – Available				
Other Crews:						
Flagstaff Fuels (short) – Available Highlands Fuels (short) – Available	Other Crews: Ironwood IHC – Committed	Other Crews: Granite Mountain IHC – Committed				

FIRES ON FEDERAL AND TRIBAL LANDS IN ARIZONA

Fire Name	Acres	Agency	Comments
			There are no new large fires to report.

NATIONAL LARGE FIRE ACTIVITY

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (155 new fires)

New large fires: 1 Large fires contained: 7 Uncontained large fires: 47

Area Command Teams committed: 2

NIMOs committed: 2

Type 1 IMTs committed: 12 Type 2 IMTs committed: 10 Fire Use Teams committed: 2

** Uncontained large fires do not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. **

Southern California Area (PL 5)

New fires: 28 New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 4 Type 1 IMTs committed: 3

Northern California Area (PL 5)

New fires: 11 New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 31

Area Command Teams committed: 2

NIMOs committed: 1 Type 1 IMTs committed: 9 Type 2 IMTs committed: 6

The Arizona State Forestry Division is supporting the California Wildfires with the following resources:

Engines and/or Equipment (54) from the following Departments: Apache Junction, Bullhead City, Canyon, Casa Grande, Central Yavapai, Chandler, Chino Valley, Corona De Tucson, Eagar, Elephant Head, Elfrida, Flagstaff, Guadalupe, Golder Ranch, Green Valley, Hells Gate, Lakeside, Mayer, Mesa, Mohave Valley, Mount Lemmon, Northwest, Peoria, Picture Rocks, Pinion Pine, Rincon Valley, Rio Rico, Rio Verde, Rural Metro, Show Low, Summit, Sun City, Sun City West, Taylor, Three Points, Tubac, and Verde Valley. State Engine 361 is also assigned.

Overhead: (274) including Engine and Crew Personnel. The Arizona State Forestry T2 IMT has also been assigned.

Crews: Granite Mountain Hotshots and Ironwood Hotshots.

FIRE WEATHER FORECAST

FLAGSTAFF:

.DISCUSSION...WIDELY SCATTERED TO SCATTERED SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS WILL DEVELOP THIS AFTERNOON...CONTINUING INTO THE EVENING. COVERAGE TODAY WILL BE LESS THAN WHAT WE HAVE BEEN SEEING THESE PAST FEW DAYS AS DRIER AIR ALOFT WORKS ITS WAY INTO NORTHERN ARIZONA. EXPECT A CONTINUED CHANCE FOR WIDELY SCATTER SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS THURSDAY.

PHOENIX:

.DISCUSSION... A DRIER ATMOSPHERE WILL PREVAIL ACROSS THE AREA THROUGH THE END OF THE WEEK. THIS MEANS THAT THE LOWER ELEVATIONS WILL BE GENERALLY FREE OF THUNDERSTORMS...WITH ALMOST ALL ACTIVITY CONFINED TO THE HIGHER TERRAIN OF SOUTHERN GILA COUNTY. IN ADDITION...AS HIGH PRESSURE ALOFT BUILDS ACROSS THE REGION THE REST OF THIS WEEK...WARMER TEMPERATURES WILL RESULT...WITH AFTERNOON READINGS A FEW DEGREES ABOVE MID-JULY NORMALS.

TUCSON:

.DISCUSSION...HIGH PRESSURE ALOFT WILL STRENGTHEN OVER SOUTHEAST ARIZONA TODAY AND THURSDAY...RESULTING IN WARMER DAYTIME TEMPERATURES AND CONSIDERABLY DRIER CONDITIONS. ENOUGH MOISTURE EXISTS FOR A SLIGHT CHANCE OF AFTERNOON AND EVENING THUNDERSTORMS MAINLY SOUTH AND EAST OF TUCSON TODAY AND THURSDAY. SOME INCREASE IN MOISTURE STARTING FRIDAY AND CONTINUING INTO THE WEEKEND FOR SLIGHTLY BETTER PRECIPITATION CHANCES.

For more detailed Arizona and national fire and weather information please visit the Arizona Fire Intelligence Information web page at http://www.azsf.az.gov Select "Fire Management" and then "Current Fire Information".

For detailed information for wildland fires throughout the Southwest and the Nation, visit the following webpage www.inciweb.org